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Changes in store for on-campus students next fall

By STEVEN McLEMORE / Editor-in-Chief

Two major changes in the on-campus living of Southwestern students have both been outlined recently. The reopening of a closed residence hall, along with the closing of another are coupled with an increase in room and board rates.

Next fall, Parker Hall's doors will be open for the first time in two years. The opening is a result of a University decision to close Jefferson Hall next fall for renovations. The students in Jefferson will be moved to Parker for the semester while the renovations are being completed.

Parker Hall closed at the end of the spring semester of 1997 due to decreasing numbers of on-campus students.

Marvin Schoenecke, director of student housing, said the decision to reopen Parker was not an easy one.

"We will only use Parker as a temporary stay for the Jefferson guys.

They will be put in the north wing of Parker, we will open up both wings only if it is necessary," he said.

"The problem with Parker is that, after being shut down for two years, there has been no water or electricity in there. Once we flip all the switches we will know our problems. We don't know what we will get with the plumbing. We are looking at all of our possibilities."

"Our main goal is to make Parker livable. No major scale renovations. The

main work is going to be put into Jefferson," he said.

The work in Jefferson will include, other than renovations, bringing the building up to meet all health and safety codes. The residence hall will get a new elevator, new bathrooms, moveable furniture and computer access hookups.

Other long range goals for residence halls include air conditioning in all

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Student arrested on firearm charge

A Southwestern freshman was arrested last week in his Neff Hall dorm room on charges of possession of stolen property and having a firearm on campus.

Ron Paul Henson was placed under arrest after the Weatherford Police department executed a search warrant for stolen property.

His arraignment was Friday at the Custer county courthouse in Arapaho.



At last week's Hanging of the Green, sponsored by the Student Government Association, student groups were invited to hang an ornament on the tree for their club. However, these two were interested in what was *under* the tree. Tracie Simard and Mitzi Farmer, both members of SGA, found out the hard way that these presents were just for decoration.

In my opinion

'Tis the season to be jolly! Christmas is almost here and the busiest shopping season of the year is upon us. Everyone is out to find that perfect gift for that special someone in their life. Parking lots are packed. Store aisles are impossible to walk down. Credit cards are being pushed to their limit. And your stash of cash is getting smaller by the minute. When I take a second to think about what Christmas really is and what it means to me, I get disgusted at what our society has turned this holiday into. Christmas has become *way too* commercialized. I'm getting to the point that I dread the whole merry season.

I've always loved Christmas and the memories made during this time of year. But working in a retail store has made me look forward to Christmas being *over*. I have seen grown men and women fighting over the last item on the shelf and children crying because that don't think that Santa is going to bring them the present that they want. And that was all in one day. (Of course, it was the day after Thanksgiving, which is the "biggest shopping day of the year.") I think the month of December brings out the worst in all of us. I get fed up with people and don't want to be around them at all. People who are normally nice become tacky and rude. All anyone cares about is getting gifts, which to me isn't the reason that we celebrate Christmas. As a poor college student struggling to make it from day to day, the festive holiday could not come at a worst time. All my scholarship, student loan, and grant money is gone. I have no money to buy anyone even the smallest gift.

Christmas has always been a special holiday for me. I look forward to having a break from school and spending time with my family. I enjoy all the lights and decorations that come with the season. I like the "traditional hanging of the greens," the kiss under the Mistletoe and, of course, who doesn't look forward to Christmas dinner?

Now, I know that people everywhere have different ways of celebrating and have different views on what the holiday means to them and that's great. All I'm trying to say is that I personally think that everyone as a whole has totally forgot about the true meaning of Christmas. I don't care if my family covers me with gifts, that's not what is important to me. What I'll remember most is the time spent with my family and friends. I will also remember to celebrate the life of my Savior Jesus Christ. To me, I think we should be more thankful and focused on the things that we *already have* rather than what we may get under the tree.

I hope everyone has a great holiday and a wonderful break from school. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

-Charla Dobson

by Mark Parisi

off the mark



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Students go Ho, Ho, Home for the Holidays

The late nights of studying, cramming, partying and drinking are almost over. Well, until January at least. In one week, Weatherford will once again become the semi-annual ghost town dreaded by the unfortunate few remaining.

No lights will be on in the buildings. No parking lots will be



My Real World

By Steven McLemore

overcrowded with late students fighting to get that elusive twelfth row spot. No girls will be scolded for being loud in Stewart Hall during quiet hours. No starving students will be lined up at the Snack Bar waiting their turn to order chicken bites.

Diffused all over the Midwestern region of the United States, the student body of Southwestern will go home for the Holidays. The life of this town will be gone. Southwestern students will celebrate.

The Holidays hold different meanings for all of us at different stages in our lives. During childhood, it meant waking up at 5 a.m. to see what presents you got. During adulthood, it means locking your bedroom door so your kids can't wake you up at 5 a.m. to open their presents.

But, what do the Holidays hold for college students?

One major reason for the season is the all-you-can-wash-and-not-pay-a-cent laundry. Face it, how many of you are going home so that you can wash your clothes and not pay for it? How many of you have been holding off doing your laundry since Thanksgiving because you knew you can do it in a few weeks for free?

There's no shame in it. Anything I can do at home for free is all the Christmas present I need.

Unfortunately, a lot of on-campus students will not readjust quickly to home. The first week whenever they try to call someone they will dial nine before the number. If they get lonely they will expect to walk out of their room and find companionship.

When hunger arises, a simple walk to the Campus C-Store would seem to be an easy fix. Unfortunately, your mom does not accept your student ID meal card plan.

After a long grueling stay at home, boredom will set in. The walls will close in around you, the air will get thicker and harder to breathe in and your loved ones will have all turned on you. But then you realize you have only been home for two hours.

Then there's always the thought of hanging out with some of your high school friends. Let's take a serious look at that thought. While some of those people are your friends and will want to hang out with you; how many of us have learned that those so-called friends are more like the Grinch that stole Christmas?

(P.S. Go Rush Springs, beat Mangum!)

Freedom of speech: does it include pro-God?

The Constitution of the United States of America has been the law of our great nation. Every law, every system and every person must obey its commands in order for our nation to be the rock of stability

speaker, they would be shot down immediately. Somehow Christianity isn't free speech.

When Carlin caused so much controversy here on campus, students and faculty yelled "Free Speech" with reckless abandon. Why is vulgarity and attacks on Christianity free speech, while the defense of Christianity steps over the invisible (and actually non-existent) line of "Church and State"?

When we as students come to college we come to broaden our minds. We are supposed to learn about other ideas. We shouldn't shoot down concepts or people by pre-judgments and stereotypes. We should be open-minded. But, my peers, be careful. When you open your mind to other ideas so much that, "Whatever the college says is right" and "Whatever I learned at home or church is wrong or useless" you're in danger of letting your morals and your mind fall right out.

Those of you who yell for free speech, whose speech are you prohibiting? Those of you who warn against bigotry, who are you oppressing? And those of you who find everything you believe under attack, stand tall. Christianity doesn't represent bigots. The Christian church spans the globe, every race, every nation. It is not something deserving a slam to the ground because of its existence.

Free speech, open-minds and critical thinking have, somehow, all come to mean anti-God. Why? That never was, and (I hope with everything in me) never will be the intention of our Constitution of the United States of America.

The Fair Side

By Carillion Creed



that it was founded to be.

What happens, though, when we twist the words of our Constitution? What happens when we use the laws that were once straightforward to injure those who have just as much claim to those rights and privileges. We often pick out a piece of a law and use it to our advantage, then ignore another's claim to the same law for what may be the very same reasons.

These questions came to my mind while doing research for the Panorama events and discovering that President Hibler will not allow any "religious" groups or individuals to perform for a Panorama program. That would be a bit more understandable if the Panorama's sole purpose was to bring in scholars or lecturers of specific intellectual topics, but that isn't the purpose at all. If the same arguments that were used for the Carlin concert were applied to bringing in, say, a popular Christian band or

FROM THE MAILBOX

Please allow me to directly address the letter that appeared in the November 11 issue of *The Southwestern* from Edgardo George. Mr. George, that was some "whine" you made out of those sour grapes you're growing. I'm asking myself why you chose to plant your vineyard in "Wal-Martford", USA if the climate is so obviously unsuitable for you.

-Aletha Bowman, ultra-conservative, gonad-eating, Baptist white woman. Yee-Haw!

(Hey Edgardo!) As I was reading your letter I wondered if you just like being stupid or does someone pay you to be that way? Could it be possible that they traits you think make Weatherford soooo bad is merely a reflection of yourself? Maybe if you extracted your head out of you *!~!, you wouldn't be so inclined to spew your putrefaction on our community you might even be able to have a positive impact on our "backward" town. I'm not from Weatherford, but I am a student at SWOSU, I'm not brainwashed or Baptist, nor have I had the crown of conformity bestowed upon my head, and yet the people of this community have accepted me and I them. It could be they just don't teach human kindness or acceptance where you come from. Go ahead and laugh, because we all know the laugh is on you.

-Sharidan Johnson

I am writing in response to the letter written by Mr. Edgardo George. To be honest, Mr. Ed, I agree with you. Many of us Christians do live a hypocritical lifestyle by basking others with "the law." However, Jesus was not a condemnational man. As a matter of fact, he hung out with the dogs, and just because of that he was called a winebibber, a glutton, a blasphemer, a heretic, and of the devil. Doesn't sound like a "Bible belter" to me.

He also used some of the most lowly people, in the eyes of the "religious" Pharisees, to be his chosen ones. For example, Ruth (from Moabite pagan lineage); Leah (an ugly duckling who nobody wanted); Rahab (the woman who ran the whore house); David (an adulterer and a murderer) who was said to be the apple of God's eye; Zacheus (a tax collector); Moses (another murderer); Paul (a former Christian killer), and the list goes on and on. These people were not "Bible belters."

Between then and now, I don't understand how people could have twisted the truth so much. Our nation has compromised the very heart of God and mislead His people into thinking we must live a life of condemnation, while suffering from the constant lashing of man, not God. I associate with all kinds of people, because I like them, not because I want to manipulate them into becoming Christians or tell them they are nothing to God unless they are "perfect."

Who am I to judge you or anyone else for that matter! If there is a God, and He created you and me equal, what makes me think I can create you into my own creation. I believe if people really want to know that God is real, He will show them. So, Mr. Ed, think again; not all of us are molded by our surroundings.

-Alissa Joy Madden

Changes

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campus halls.

"One of my priorities is to get air conditioning in all of the halls. I don't think that's too much to ask. We are in the 1990s," he said.

Included with the renovations next fall will be a room and board increase. Students with semiprivate rooms will see around a \$30 increase per semester, while students with private rooms will see around a \$50 increase.

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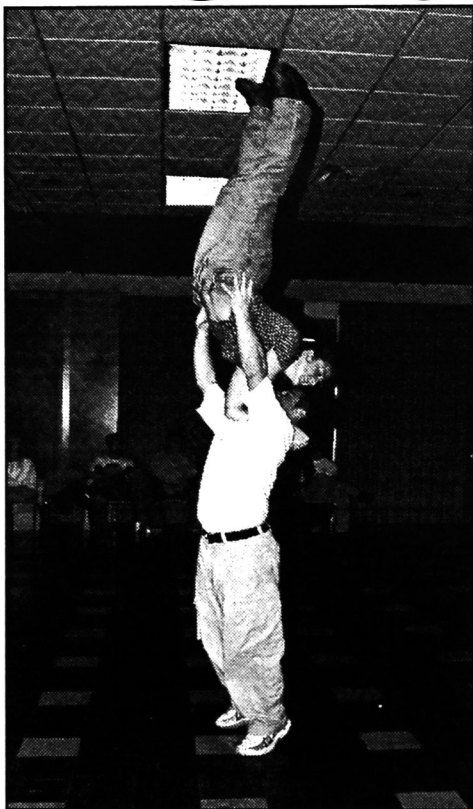
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Take Notice

Due to Christmas break, the next issue of *The Southwestern* will be published Jan. 20.

Swingin' the night away

Last week's swing dance found huge numbers of Southwestern students eager to learn the newest dance craze. The seminar and dance, both sponsored by the Student Government Association, were a big hit. Right: Mandi Maxwell is seeing stars after this flip by partner Billy Bailey. Upper right: Lisa Barnes and Brent Skidmore jump, jive and wail.



PHOTOS BY STEVEN McLEMORE

Bulldog Bucks

Exit Interviews

Education students who plan to attend EBTE Day must meet on Dec. 14 in the Student Union Ballroom at 1:15 p.m.

A senior seminar for pharmacy students will be held on Dec. 9 in the pharmacy annex, room 104, at 2 p.m.

All other students must meet for exit interviews on Dec. 1-18, in Stafford 224 at 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Any students unable to attend one of the above sessions must contact Student Financial Services immediately to make arrangements for an exit interview. A hold is placed on all academic records until the exit interview process has been completed, whereupon records will then be released.

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For more information and applications please contact Student Financial Services, in Stafford 224.

You want Taco Bell? You got it

By PATRICIA COOK / NEWS REPORTER

Nachos bellgrande, mexican pizza's, bean burritos and tacos will be invading Weatherford. That is right, your cries have been answered. Taco Bell will ring in the new year with the addition of its newest store to the Weatherford public.

Kentucky Fried Chicken and Taco Bell will join together to form a fully functional operation. The full menu will be available for both restaurants, and will be available through the drive-thru.

This joint project between Taco Bell, and Kentucky Fried Chicken will be the eleventh project of its kind to be completed, and all the previous projects have seen great success.

The response from Southwestern students has been overwhelming.

"It is about time for some quality fast food! Mexican pizza's rule," said freshman Julie Hardy.

"I love it! Right for it! The prices are beautiful," said freshman Branson Ewing.

"I love the Nachos BellGrande! I think this will be the best fast food place in Weatherford," said senior Becky Iliff.

"Finally, some real fast food," said freshman Jayme Orgain.

"I am pumped," said freshman Jamie Rhodes.

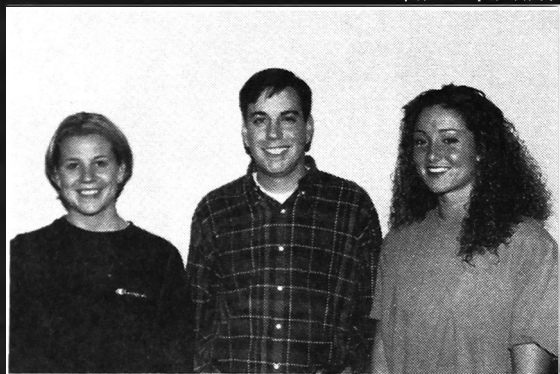
"It's gonna be awesome! All hail Taco Bell," said junior Seneca Smith.

"The food is well priced, and tasty," said sophomore Dyrek Willis.

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Southwestern has a new club this year. The Health Professions club is under the direction of Dr. Gary Wolgamott. Officers are Jill Kliever, Canton, Vice president; Justin Harlin, Ft. Worth, Texas, president; and Mandy Hewett, Washington, secretary-treasurer.



The Nursing Student Association at Weatherford is being led by several students this year. Officers include Thelma Dye, faculty sponsor; Lynn Collier, Tracy Lane, Rebecca Stucker, Courtney Connel, Josh Dufour, Justin Tuck, Heather Bayless, and George Brown.



Kappa Delta Pi is an international honor society in education. Officers are Jenny Smith, Duncan, treasurer; Kristin Kirkevold, vice president; Jaimea Kindsfather, president; Holly Phillips, historian/reporter; and Phyllis Williams, secretary.

Senate ends fall semester

By BLAKE LAMAR/NEWS REPORTER

In the last SGA meeting of the semester, senators Eric Fagan and Amber Foust introduced resolution #003.

The resolution recommends and investigation into beginning Southwestern holidays and breaks at 5 p.m. on the last scheduled day of class. Currently holidays and breaks begin at 10 p.m.

People who have night classes do not have enough time to leave, and some of the residence halls close before 10 p.m., were points made in the resolution.

Foust and Fagan have left the resolution open for discussion, and student's ideas are welcome.

"We're just asking that everyone think about this and bring any suggestions to the SGA house," said Foust.

Dr. Bellow, a hypnotist, is scheduled to come on Thursday Jan. 28. SGA passed a motion to fund the event.

Kate Taylor was named the very first Senator of the Week. She was awarded a five dollar certificate to Braums.

Adam Carr, senator, discussed SNL—"Southwestern Night of Laughs," and gave an open invitation for student organizations to submit skits to either promote their organization or tell something about it. SNL will be put on for the entire student body. The date for this event has not been determined.

Campus Crime

Director of Campus Public Safety Don Groth has released campus crime stats for the month of November.

There were 13 total reports.

Two of those reports include two arrests, both made at the family housing buildings. Both arrests were for runaway juvenile reports.

Four reports of vandalism were reported. All four were to vehicles. Sights for the vandalisms were the Rogers parking lot, Neff Hall, Stewart Hall and Campbell Building. A estimate of \$350 damage was done.

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Panorama votes are in, no decisions made yet

Ballots will be taken until January in Administration 205

By CARILLION CREED/NEWS REPORTER

Next year's Panorama events are still undecided, but this years committee is hopeful of an enriching and entertaining turnout for the 98-99 year.

Very few people turned in the ballots that were printed in a recent edition of *The Southwestern*. Only about 100 were received by the committees.

Dr. Paulette Woods, Vice President of Student Services and chairman of the Panorama committee stressed that because of the low turnout of voters, the results were definitely subject to change.

Some of the top scorers were, in the entertainment category, Rosie O'Donnell and Sinbad. Several names were suggested in the others category from the ballots such as Jeff Foxworthy, Rush Limbaugh, Billy Graham, Third Day and Rick Springfield.

Many of these are unrealistic wishes. Foxworthy, for example would cost over \$100,000 to bring in. Billy Graham and Third Day both represent religion which Dr. Hibler will not allow in the Panorama events.

Jerry Springer, which was suggested by the staff of The Southwestern, didn't receive any votes.

"We would like to have a diversity thrust in the spring," Woods said. "We haven't done anything like that for a while and it's time again."

The Panorama committee itself is composed of eight faculty members representing the four school, two community members and six students.

These are divided into three sub-committees that handle Cultural Events, Issues/speakers and Entertainment. Kevin Bartel and Brian Adler are also on the committee.

"We receive information almost weekly from different groups," Woods said. "In Oklahoma we have a program called the Oklahoma Arts Council. They send us a catalog that has information about artists such as the kind of programs

they do, technical requirements and so on."

Kansas has a sponsorship program similar to the Oklahoma Arts Council called Mid-America Arts Alliance.

Woods also receives information from individual artists who would like to fit the college into a tour.

"Interest will vary year by year with committee composition," Woods said about the diversity of Panorama events. "I'm fine with people wanting to offer input if they have a commitment."

If students speak with Dr. Woods about being on the

"Interest will vary year by year with committee composition"

-Dr Paulette Woods

committee she will bring it before the student senate. Woods wants at least one student to be at each committee meeting and it's difficult for students to make the meetings. That's why there are six involved with the committee.

The committees try to bring a short list of possibilities to the campus before the Christmas holiday. If, like this year, the ballot turnout is low, several of the faculty members will poll different classes for the speakers and entertainers they'd like to see.

"We seek a blend of what is enriching and increases Cultural awareness," Woods said. "But we listen to students who want big names."

Jason Smith, a senior communication arts major, enjoyed the programs this year, but was upset by the ever-controversial Carlin concert.

"I would prefer that future Panorama events were much cleaner," he said.

The professors on campus also enjoy the concerts and programs, and have ideas for next year.

"I liked the schedule this year of programs," Jeff Gentry said. "There was a nice variation of themes. We definitely need another high powered scientist and big name entertainer."

After the input of the faculty and students has been received and calculated, the committee will decide who they would like to come next year, however there is still one more step to the process.

"We always know that final approval is subject to Dr. Hibler," Woods said. "So we hold off on contracts until she decides."

The committee hopes that the students will enjoy the speakers and entertainers that are chosen and will come to support those that perform for our campus.

Ballots will still be accepted until the middle of January. They can be turned in at Administration 205.

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New orientation program underway

By KENDRA MERVELDT/ NEWS REPORTER

Think about the first step you took on Southwestern's campus. The thought can bring chills back up your spine.

To help ease an incoming freshman's mind, Southwestern has new students attend an enrollment session to help them get started for each fall season. In past years, students helping with the enrollment session would be 10-15 student volunteers. With new program there are anywhere from 32 to 36 students.

Southwestern built a new organization last year that deals with the enrollment session, mass orientation and mentors for freshman orientation classes. The new organization is called OL or Orientation Leader Program. A person must first turn in an application, then go through the interview phase.

Once selected, the Orientation Leaders meet two hours a week. This is where OL prepares for the enrolling freshman. Orientation Leaders must think of original and fun ideas for the enrollment session because an incoming freshman will decide whether or not to make Southwestern their school or not.

"We want students to feel as though Southwestern is their home away from home," said Darine Behara, Dean of Students.

The people teaching this class are Behara and Jena Skarda, College and High School Relations recruiter.

During Howdy Week, the OL's will go to many events on campus so freshmen can see a familiar face at these events. This coming year Howdy Week will start on Saturday so freshman can meet people before classes begin.

Another responsibility the Orientation Leaders meet is mentoring a freshman orientation class. For eight weeks, mentors help these new freshman get through their first year of college. OL started a new program within Freshman Orientation Leaders, which is to hold seminars for freshmen. These seminars deal with anything from "Keeping Your Head Above 'C' Level" to Drug and Alcohol abuse.

"If we can help the students any way we can we are willing to do so," said Katey Hogan, Orientation Leader.

This year a few things are going to change with the freshman orientation program. The meetings that OL has for two hours a week will turn into a two credit hour night class, so orientation



The newly selected orientation leaders for this next year spent weekend together learning how to work as a team. Above, the group 'walks' together. PHOTO PROVIDED

leaders can get credit for all of the hard work they do. Adding the class is just one more step in the Orientation program. Another way the school has shown their appreciation is by paying \$300 to the orientation leaders at the end of each semester.

High School and College Relations director Todd Boyd "is excited about working with the new and old orientation leaders."

"I joined OL because I wanted to get more involved on campus. I had a couple of friends who joined it last year, and I saw how much fun they had that I decided to join myself", said Melissa Major, a new orientation leader.

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Going the distance, the way of the commuter

By CARILLION CREED/NEWS REPORTER

They are the lost students on Southwestern's campus. Every day they brave the wilds of the interstate or backroad to come to school. They fight with sleepiness in the morning, and boredom in the afternoon. They live somewhere between the Student Union, the library, their lounge, and their car. They are. . . . Commuters in the Mist.

Where do they come from? Why are they here? What drives them to drive... and drive... and drive. These questions haunt me every morning as I climb into my barely functioning car and make the trek into Weatherford, and every afternoon as I sit in the Student Union, library or commuters lounge waiting for that one class that's three hours later than all the others. For the answers to these puzzling (and time-consuming) questions, I searched for, and discovered, several of the elusive commuters.

Jennifer Banwart sat in one of the strange little gray chairs in the commuter's lounge and watched a typical daytime TV program. The show was Judge Mills Lane. Does she really like the show?

"Oh, not really. Usually The View is on," Banwart said. "I love The View, but today they had all that Clinton stuff on, so it's either this or Hercules."

"So, where does Banwart drive from?"

"I drive from Oklahoma City," she said nonchalantly. "We used to live here, but my husband got a job in OKC and I didn't want to quit so close to graduation."

Banwart, a senior health science major, gets up at 5 a.m. to be at school for her 8 a.m. classes. She gets up at 7 a.m. on the days that classes begin at 10. Talk about dedication.

The job of a spouse is one of the most common reasons for commuting. Jan Hudson, a senior communications major and psychology minor commutes from Sayre. She, her husband, and three children moved from Amarillo, Texas, when her husband got a job.

"Last spring I drove with someone from Elk City," Hudson said. "This semester I'm driving myself."

Alicia Redden is another who prefers the benefits of staying home. She stated her reasons without a second thought, as if she'd been asked time and time again.

"I was raised in Elk City, I've lived in Elk City all my life and I didn't want to move just for school," Redden said.

Her husband and job are also in Elk City, making scheduling difficult. Another difficulty is the cost of constantly driving back and forth.

Commuters also have to be very saving with their absences. When snow days come, traveling can be dangerous on the often icy highways.

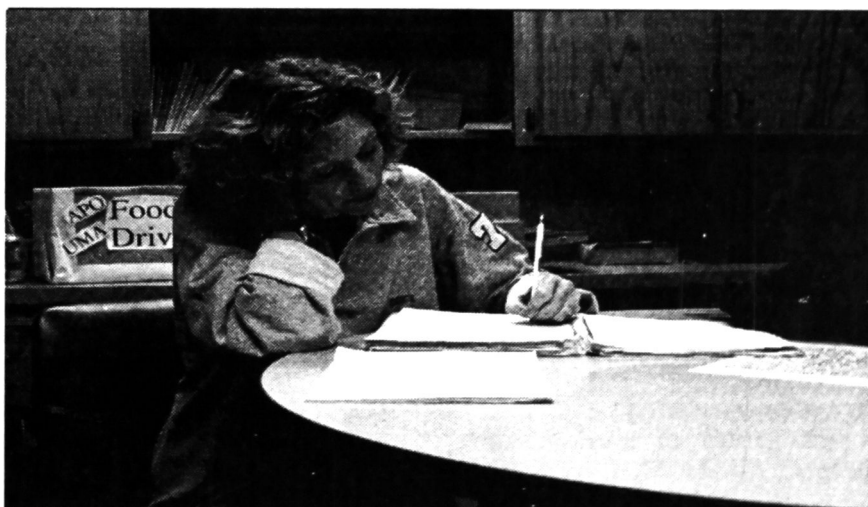
Sharad Vaidya has his own straightforward reason for making the drive from Clinton every day.

"I live with my parents," Vaidya said. "It saves on cost." Vaidya doesn't have the struggle with isolation to overcome that afflicts some commuters.

"I'm a pharmacy major, so I've had the same students in my classes since I was a freshman," he said.

However, on this afternoon he was spending those ever-present "two hours to kill" watching Jerry Springer in the same funny gray chair that Jennifer Banwart had recently vacated.

Sometimes more than one member of a family will



Finding time to kill is no problem for senior communication arts major Jan Hudson. She commutes from Sayre daily and says that she spends a lot of her in-between-class time in the speech department's script library. Many commuters have to find somewhere to wait if their classes are spread apart.

PHOTO BY STEVEN McLEMORE

commute, and that can get crazy. Just ask Bruce Lamborn, a senior English Education major from Clinton. Lamborn's son, a freshman, also attends the university.

"It's hectic," Lamborn said. "Because his schedule is totally different than mine."

These were only a few of the hundreds of students on this campus who are on a first name basis with several gas station attendants and who never miss the morning radio talk show. To those out there who thought you were alone, remember. There are others who have made a car their second home, and who are proud to stand and be a commuter.

Christmas tradition

International students celebrate

By PATRICIA COOK/NEWS REPORTER

With Thanksgiving gone, and Christmas fast approaching, students all over campus are gearing up for the holidays. Some have begun shopping while others are already scoping out the perfect spot for the old Christmas tree. You can almost taste the turkey and dressing, candied yams, and pumpkin pie as the Christmas lights are strung up and down Main Street. One of the most special things about Christmas is the traditions that are followed year after year by families.

Some students on campus are looking forward to their first true American Christmas, and the start of new traditions. In the middle of the holiday hoopla many forget about those international students on campus who may not be able to spend the holidays with their families. Students who have chosen to come to Southwestern from all over the world. With them they bring the tradition and culture of their homelands. These are our international students.

This group of students is extremely diverse. Many countries and cultures are represented at Southwestern for a total of ninety-seven international students.

Kossi Akpossoigna from Togo (West Africa) has been in Weatherford since January of 1998. Like many international students, Kossi will be spending the holidays here.

"Southwestern is a cool place compared to other schools in Oklahoma that are so big," he said.

"I don't have any plans for the holidays, and I miss my family a lot," he said.

Since Kossi has begun his holiday in Weatherford he has already begun to notice differences.

"People are rushing to shop for Christmas. There is no shopping in November in Togo, it's too early," he said.

Ephraim Gitonga, a second semester student from Kenya will also stay here for the holidays. There are many holiday traditions of Kenya that he will miss.

"When we celebrate Christmas, we go to church, party, or come together for festival. You get to meet with friends, and family that you haven't seen from years before," he said.

He also misses a traditional food from Kenya called Chapagi. "It is made with wheat flower, mixed with water like dough, then sliced and fried with beef or goat meat, and vegetables of any kind," he said.

Elvis Prifti from Albania will also spend the holidays in the United States. "I don't know what I will do for Christmas," he said.

"At home we have a big supper, with family and friends, we have a big party. We always have turkey, the other stuff is not so important. We always have beer, wine, and salads. We also have a traditional pie that is called Byrek (pronounced burek). It is a dough made of rice and water, filled with meat and cheese."

One of the other things that Elvis misses from Albania is going to the disco with friends and dancing.

"There is no disco here, and you dance different kinds of dances. We listen to techno, and you only have to be over sixteen to drink, but nobody really cares about it," he said.

Not all international students will spend the holidays in Weatherford.

Caroline Budiman from Indonesia will be going home. Her Christmas celebration will not be that different from many of the students here. Her family celebrates Christmas with a tree, and spends time with each other.

"At home we only have one big present, but when I stayed with my host

family my housemother gave me ten!" she said.

Daniel Guerrero, from Ecuador, appreciates his friends in Weatherford that have helped him from being homesick.

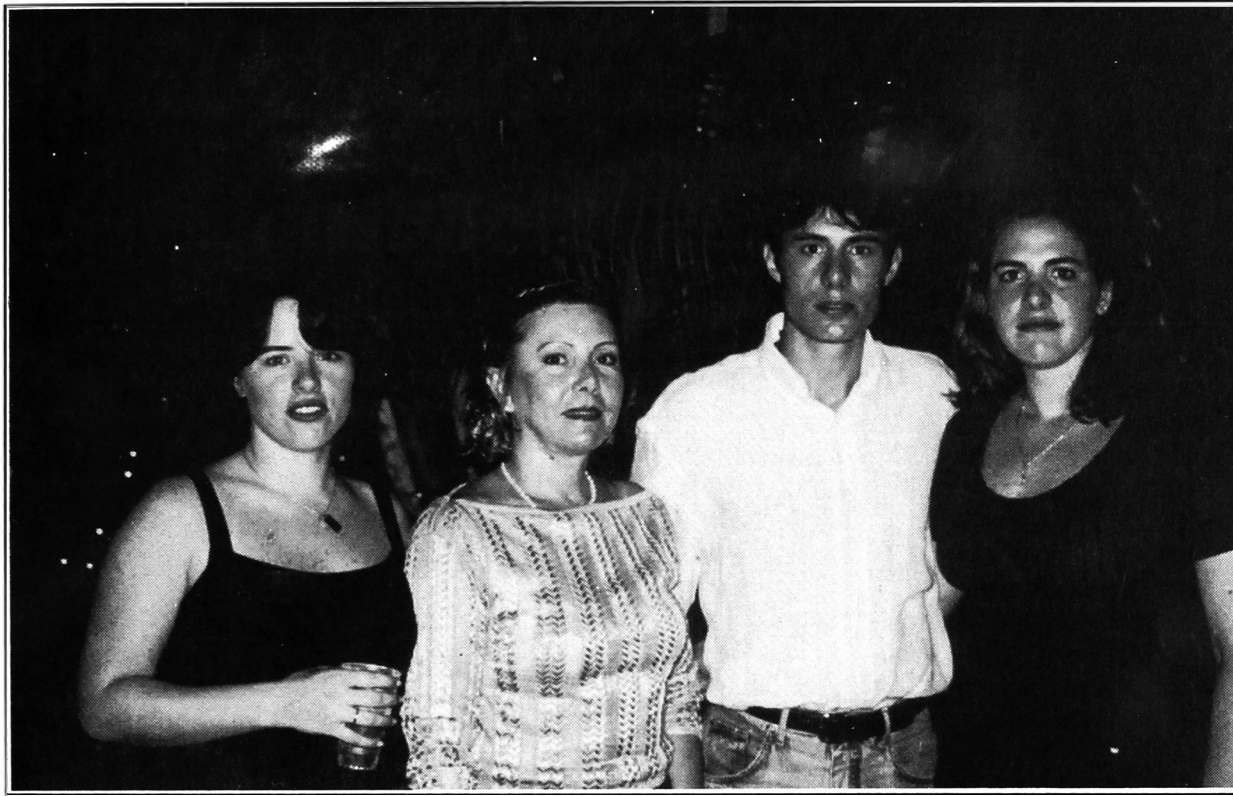
"On my birthday, a bunch of my friends threw me a surprise party," he said.

Daniel will be spending the holidays with his father who will come up. "He usually comes up once a semester to see me and talk to my teachers," he said.

Daniels' family celebrates traditions from many countries. His mother is from Romania, and his father is from Ecuador, but works in Africa.



Filpa Pate, in her native dress, will celebrate the holidays with her family.



Ana Medeiros is one of the lucky International students who will join her family this year to celebrate Christmas at home in Brazil.

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"In Ecuador every house has a representation of where Jesus was born by the tree. The figures are 3 or 4 inches tall. With Mary, Joseph, and the baby, it makes it real beautiful," he said.

Barbara Ayesu from Ghana will spend Christmas with family. She also feels many people in Weatherford have reached out and made her feel welcome. "So many people! I have friends that invite me over, and my English teacher invited me for Thanksgiving!"

There is one thing Barbara still misses from home. "The food!" she said. "We have different vegetables such as garden eggs (like squash, I'm told), green leafs, and red oil made out of palm nuts."

Yoko Fukumoto from Japan also misses her native food.

"I love American food, but it is different. I can cook, but not as good as my parents." Her favorite food is called Sha-Bu Sha-Bu. "You cut the meat really thin, dip it in boiling water for a second, then dip it in a special sauce. It is really good," she said.

"New Years is the big holiday in Japan," she said. "That is when parents give money to their children. We celebrate Christmas, but not as big as here, we also have no Thanksgiving," she said.

Not all students will celebrate in traditional Christmas ways. Filpa Patel, who was born in the United Kingdom but raised in the culture of India, is one of these students.

"We have no Christmas, our religion is Hinduism. There is an Indian religious calendar we go by. We have many Gods. One of the main ones is Lord Krishna. We celebrate Lord Krishna's birthday with a celebration called Jahn Mastamee. Women fast on that day, and we have religious dances," she said.

Filpa will celebrate the holidays with her parents. Her family will exchange presents, although, "there is no religious motive

in it," she said.

"When I want to visit India I watch Indian cinemas in Oklahoma City, or go to an Indian Grocery store," she said.

Deana Prasetyaningsih, from Indonesia will also spend a non-traditional Christmas with her family.

"We don't have presents, but we go to church and celebrate, and go home to Grandfather's house," she said.

"Our biggest holiday is Ramadhan, a Muslim holiday. It is a ceremony two days long. We eat rice in palm leaves called Ketupat, boiled for seven to eight hours," she said.

"The things I miss most are my friends, my culture, my family, the dance, and traditional ceremonies," she said.

Ana Medeiros from Brazil will be graduating in December, and will be going home.

"When I lived with a host family in Woodward, the family all got together and ate, and then left. At home we spend the whole night together, and then we all go to Mass at midnight," she said.

"The thing I miss most about Brazil is the companionship, and warmth people have. I have much more friends at home. People here mind more of their own business. In Brazil they are more involved in your life, they try to help other people. When something is going on, you don't have to resolve it alone," she said.

While most in Weatherford are dazzled by the twinkling lights of the main street decorations, many international students will look towards lights further in the distance, the lights of home, and the loved ones who wait for them there.

In the words of Kossi Akpossogna, "For Christmas everybody from your family is supposed to be home. No matter who you are, you are supposed to be home."

Art Show provides unique gifts

By JESSICA DAVIS/NEWS REPORTER

In time for the holidays the Art Department invites you to its annual Christmas show.

The exhibition held in the Art Building began Monday, Nov. 30 and will run until Dec. 17. Many of the works will be available for sale.

"It is mostly the work of faculty, alumni, and students of Southwestern," said art professor Andrew Marvick.

"This is the second time to have it since I've been here in the last five years," art chairman Joe London said.

The Christmas show had been held in the past and London said he was encouraged to continue it.

"We had a large attendance last year

and we're looking for a numerous amount of people to come this year," London said.

"(The show) is of many media, including oil painting, acrylics, print media, computer graphics, ceramics, and even art candles," Marvick said.

"It is one of the highlights of the year for faculty and students," London said.

London said that the show allows the alumni to make connections to the department. The alumni can exhibit their artwork and make contacts with the faculty members they have yet to meet.

"It's also a good opportunity for people from the community to see what's going on in the department. People can purchase items for friends, relatives, and employees," London said.

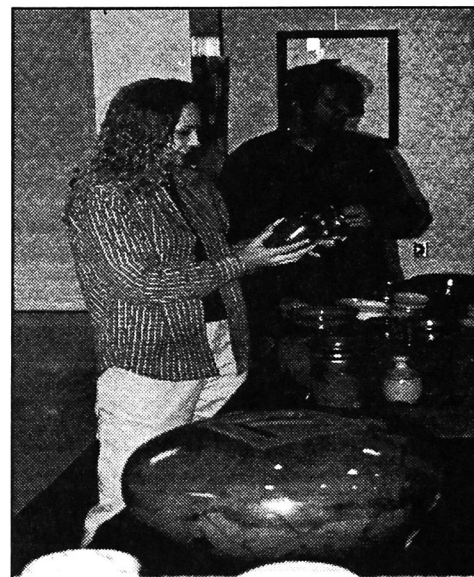


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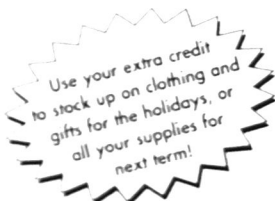
Laura Borges and Edmond Bhatti look over Dr. Joe London's art work at the Christmas show.

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Play Review

Daddy's Dyin' Who's Got the Will?

In the school's second theatre production of the year, "Daddy's Dyin', Who's got the Will?" the eight member cast delivered one of the most enjoyable school plays in recent memory.

The three day production not only set laugh records, but also managed a full house every night; a feat of great accomplishment for a Southwestern production.

From the gun rack in the living room to the smell of frying bacon in the kitchen, every sense of detail seemed to have been researched. All these secondary factors were topped only by the play's excellent writing and its more than hilarious cast.

While some argue which was the high point of the play, I think the lines complemented the actors and vice versa. These were some funny people who were given some very funny lines.

Based in a small Texas town, "Daddy's Dyin'" is centered around a not-so-functional family dealing with a soon-to-be dead father and the hunt for his elusive will. Feelings are not the only things to get hurt as members of the family search the house for the will to find out if they have been included or left out.

Many of the characters are easy to dislike. However, getting to know why they are so dysfunctional causes the audience not only to like them, but also to relate to them.

The men of the play; John Booker, Kyle Davis and Todd Swink; all turned in great performances. Each was able to fill out characters very far from their own. Booker was the man you loved to hate, Orville Turnover. For Orville, a stained wifebeater was not just a piece of clothing, it was a way of life.

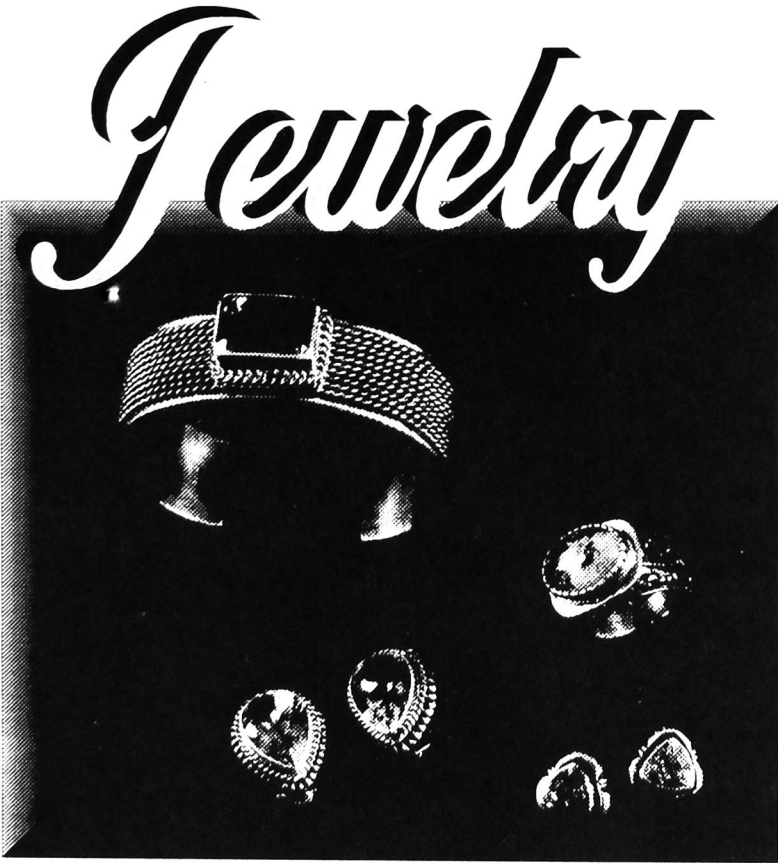
Davis was hilarious in his monotone, melodic spin on love and peace. In the end, he got what he deserved, and so did Orville. The man who may not have gotten what he deserved was Daddy (Todd Swink). Swink did a believable job of portraying an aged man still burning over the affair he had with a red headed hussy.

The ladies of the play; Kelli Prescott, Hollie Borror, Tasha Raines, Katy Christie and Heather Sprague; were all phenomenal.

What can I say except they were the best bunch of hillbilly, redneck white trash I have ever seen.

I sat in the audience in awe throughout the play. The longer it went on, the more and more I associated with the characters. Each audience member seemed to scream in laughter when they realized that that was *their* family on the stage.

-Steven McLemore



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Campus Events

Intramural Basketball

Teams need to pre-register for intramural 5-on-5 basketball for next spring. There will be men's class A, B and C teams and women's class A and B teams. Register at Nelson Perkins office in the HPER building.

Graduation

All Students graduating in December need to clear all their holds before they can graduate. The Convocation Ceremony will be held May 15, 1999, at 11 a.m. in Milam Stadium.

History Club

The History Club will hold its annual Christmas chili dinner at 6 p.m. on Dec. 11, in the home of Dr. Roger Bromert.

Social Work Club

Today is the last day to donate food to the campus food drive sponsored by the social work club. Collection boxes are located across campus, including the Campbell Building, Administration Building, the Library, Technology Building, Stafford Building and all residence halls. All goods donated will be given to the Wesley Foundation food pantry.

Chi Alpha

Chi Alpha will have its end of semester party tomorrow night. Those who are attending need to remember to bring items they signed up for in the previous meeting.

Baptist Student Union

The BSU will attend the Passion '99 conference in Ft. Worth, Texas, on Jan. 1-4. The conference will include speakers, music and small group sessions. Those who attend will follow up the conference with mission work in Ft. Worth on Jan. 5-7. The mission work will include distributing food and clothing. Those interested can still contact the BSU for information and details.

Nutcracker Ballet

The Western Oklahoma Ballet Theatre will present The Nutcracker; Saturday, Dec. 12, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center. Admission is \$4 with student ID or \$6 for adults and \$4 for children.

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Football players honored

Five Southwestern football players were recently honored by the 1998 Lone Star Conference.

Casey Alexander of Clarendon, Texas, and Lucas Aslin of Manhattan, Kan., were named to the Commissioner's honor roll while wide receiver Damon Willis of Houston, Texas, tight end Charwick Reed of Cleveland, Texas, and defensive tackle Tripler Letuligasenoa of San Leandro, Calif., were named to the North Division second-team.

Alexander, a senior center, has a 3.32 grade point average and is majoring in education. Aslin, a junior linebacker, has a 3.58 grade point average with a major in physical education.

Willis completed his four-year career at Southwestern with 1,419 receiving yards which is the third-best in school history. His 12 career touchdown receptions is second-best in the school record books. Willis was Southwestern's leading receiver in 1998 with 32 catches and 549 yards. He caught three touchdown passes.

Reed was the Bulldogs second-leading receiver with 30 catches for 415 yards and one touchdown. He had Southwestern's longest reception of the year, a 64-yarder against Ouachita Baptist.

Letuligasenoa anchored the Bulldogs' defensive line. He was Southwestern's third-leading tackler in 1998 with 57 stops. Six of his tackles were for loss of 15 yards, and he recovered three fumbles. Letuligasenoa also had two quarterback sacks.

Upcoming hunting season outlined

It is that time of year again, but before you go and start shooting, hunters need to be aware of the regulations.

First of all, during rifle and black powder deer season hunters must wear orange. Anytime another season falls into deer season for instance, quail, make sure orange is worn as well. At any other time, camouflage is the appropriate attire for the season. Make sure to pick up your hunting license.

This year has been great for deer season. Oklahoma deer hunters recorded the highest harvest ever for opening weekend of deer gun season. In the first weekend 5,508 deer were shot, which is a 30.6 percent increase over the opening weekend in 1997.

This year Oklahoma should also see an increase in ducks. It has been reported that there are approximately 330,000 ducks in southern Kansas. When the weather up north gets too cold for the ducks and geese they will migrate down to Oklahoma.

Upcoming hunting seasons include

December 1 to 31- Deer; archery

December 1 to January 1- Pheasant (only in the panhandle) shotgun

December 9 to March 4-crow; shotgun

December 1 to 31- prairie chicken; archery

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Student hits it big in profesional rodeo ranks

By MIKE MARTIN/ STAFF REPORTER

Most students on college campuses live the same lives. Between managing classes and study times they find time for entertainment. That entertainment is where most of us are separated.

Southwestern student Corey Navarre sits on a 2,000 pound animal and slides his hand under a rope that will be the only thing between him and the ground for the next eight seconds.

Navarre's rise to fame started when he gave in to peer pressure. With the urging of a friend, he began to ride at high school rodeos. After one year of competition at the high school level, he won his first rodeo. From there the young cowboy started to ride bulls well enough to qualify for the National High School Finals Rodeo in Gillette, Wyo., twice. He finished second at the finals once and drew poorly the other year.

It was on that trip home from the finals that Navarre and fellow rodeo team member Clark Dees stopped in Weatherford to visit with rodeo coach Don Mitchell.

"Clark was stopping to look at the school and enroll. Doc got to talking to me and wound up offering me a deal," he said.

Coach Mitchell had never seen Navarre ride a bull, but the gamble he took would pay off.

In his first year here Navarre suffered his worst injury of his young career.

"I tore my knee up when I was getting off a bull. That put me out for my first year," he said.

Navarre would come back with a vengeance his second year. Throughout the season he was found within the top five bull riders in the Central Plains Region. Heading into the final rodeo of the season at Altus, SWOSU was trailing Ft. Scott for the second spot in the region. With only the top two teams advancing to the College National Finals, tension was high throughout the rodeo.

It was at that rodeo he would see his first pressure as a collegiate bull rider. With the teams battling with each event, it came down to his bull ride whether the team would compete at the finals.

"All I had to do was stay on the bull for eight seconds and we would win. I rode the bull and won the rodeo," he said.

The pressure would again be put on Navarre when the team competed at the CNFR. Going into the final round of the rodeo Southwestern was trailing Panhandle State for the National Championship. It again came down to Navarre and his bull, but this time he got thrown. The experience he received though would be just what he needed going into the next season.

The next rodeo season was where he began to show his riding ability. Throughout the season he was the top rider in the region. By the time the finals came around he had won the Central Plains region and was proving that he belonged on top.

Through the three go-rounds Navarre was the only rider to ride all three. As the short-go began, everyone in the arena new all he had to do was stay on for eight seconds.

As the bull riding began, he was to be the last to go. After 11 riders had come face to face with their biggest fear, Navarre got on for what would either be the ride of his life or the end of a year of dreams.

As the bull shot out of the chute it went left and Navarre looked to have him right where he wanted him, but then his balance shifted and he started to slide. As the horn blew he hit the arena floor. The next 20 seconds would be the longest of his life.

The thumbs up came from the judges, and the excitement was felt. Corey Navarre was the 1998 National Bull Riding Champion, Southwestern's first.

"I was never nervous, I just tried to relax and stay on. It felt great to win the title. This is my biggest achievement thus far," he would later say.

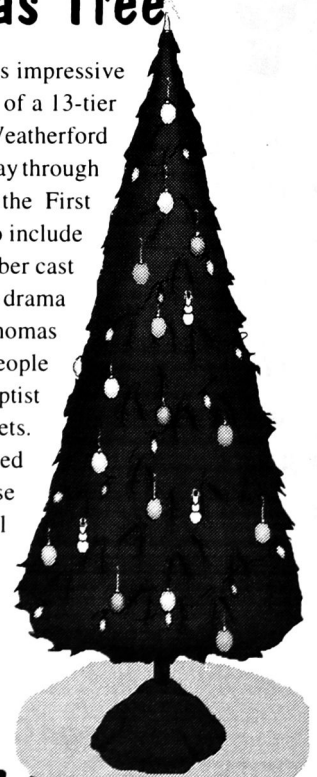
His bull riding career was just beginning for him. Throughout last summer and this fall he found success in the Professional Bull Riders Tour and the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association.

In his second year in the PBR, he qualified for the finals in Las Vegas. It was time to showcase his talent to the world.

At the finals in November, Navarre rode three of his four go-round bulls, placing second in the fourth round with a

The Weatherford Living Christmas Tree

A hundred-voice Christmas choir is impressive enough. But this choir will be part of a 13-tier Christmas tree. It is part of The Weatherford Living Christmas Tree product Friday through Sunday at 7 p.m. each night at the First Baptist Church. The show will also include a 30-piece orchestra and a 19-member cast performing *A Shopkeeper's Gift*, an drama written by Weatherford resident Thomas Ratliff. The production is free. People wishing to attend should call First Baptist Church at 774-2771 to order tickets. People holding tickets will be allowed into the sanctuary at 6:15 p.m. Those without tickets may not enter until 6:45 p.m., space permitting.



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In the short-round he would meet his match when he drew Moody Blues, the PBR bucking bull of the year. The bull went right and then went into a spin, throwing him.

"I was real happy with my finish at the finals. I would like another shot at Moody Blues though," he said.

Navarre left Vegas not expecting to be returning in less than one month for the National Finals Rodeo. He was seventeenth in the world standings and with only the top fifteen qualifying for the NFR, Navarre looked to have just fallen short.

The week of Thanksgiving was one Navarre will never forget. It was then that he was called to be informed that because of injuries to two other bull riders, he had qualified for the Finals.

"It feels great to make the finals. I wish I had qualified outright but I'm in," he said.

Navarre knows he is one of the best young bull riders in rodeo, but is quick to point out that he still has a long way to go.

"There are a lot of guys out there that can ride. I have just been blessed and fortunate enough to stay healthy," he said.

Coach Mitchell realized his potential early and says all he has done is improve.

"He is a super individual, keeps his grades up even while



Corey makes one of his qualified rides for the National title last June at the CNFR.

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competing professionally, and I am not the only one that thinks he is one of the best young riders in rodeo," Mitchell said.

Many people question why the business management major stays in school when he is making such good money and doing so well professionally.

"I'm so far along in my education now that it would be foolish to quit. I want to get my diploma and hang it on the wall until my career is over," he says.

Navarre realizes that in a sport where cowboys careers are short, he has to take his shot while it's given to him. He looks forward to securing his financial background now to help out later in his life.

Throughout his career he has looked up to many riders, but says his mom is his real role model.

"She is a very strong Christian who has been through a lot. She gives a 150 percent in everything she does," he said.

Navarre also says he is happy with the year he has had, but he wants to do better, world champion better. With him competing in both the PBR and PRCA one would wonder which would mean more.

"To win the PBR World Championship would be great, but the gold buckle is still the gold buckle at the PRCA National Finals," he said.

Navarre has accomplished something that few athletes have managed to do. He has pursued an education at the same time as managing a successful rodeo career. He realizes an education's importance and strives to succeed in both.

Navarre did as all experts say not to do, he gave into peer pressure. That pressure though has shaped his life into a success.

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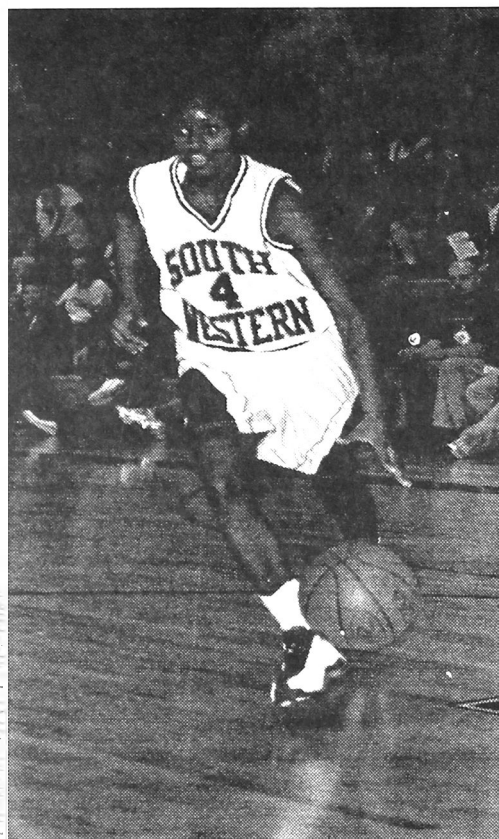
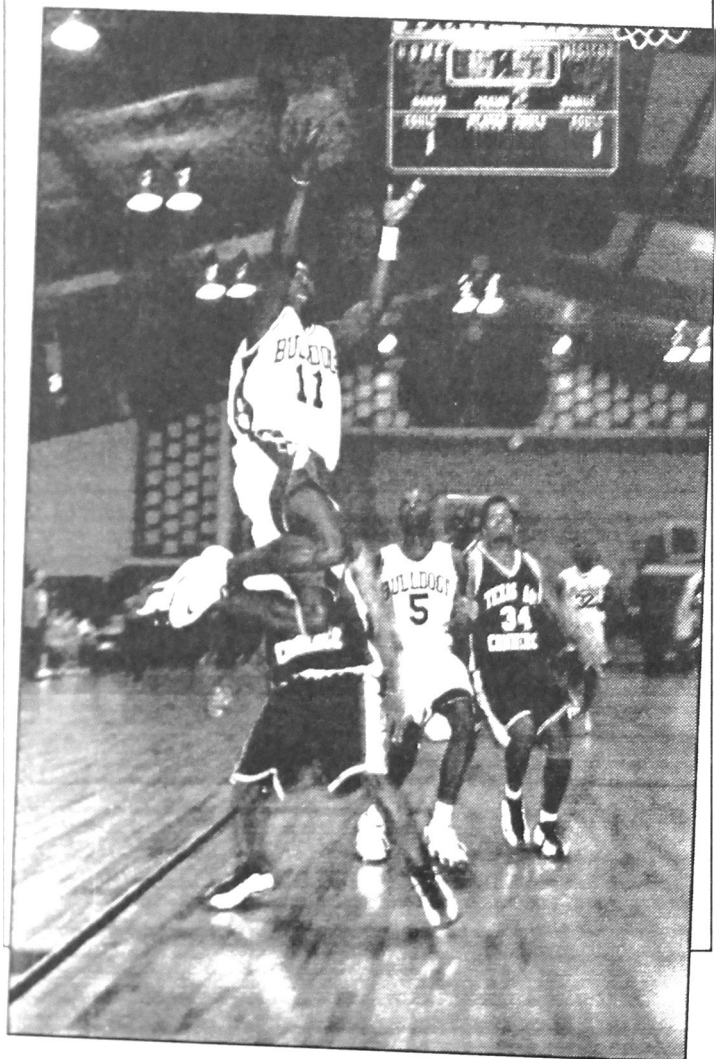
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No. 11 Craig Walker floats to the basket for the layup as Corey Johnson (no. 5) watches. The Bulldogs lost the home game against Texas A&M Commerce 78-69.



Roslynn Dunn no. 4 drives the lane in a home game against Texas A&M Commerce. The Lady Bulldogs won 68-36.

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Hoopsters finish semester season, look to break

By ZAC UNDERWOOD/SPORTS EDITOR

The Southwestern men's and women's basketball teams played throughout Thanksgiving break and each team continued to head in different directions.

The Lady Bulldogs played their last game of the semester last night at home against Panhandle State (results were unavailable at press time). They won't play again until they host Cameron Jan. 2.

The women hoopsters (excluding last night) are 6-4 after starting the season with three consecutive wins. They returned home from a trip to Texas with stops at San Angelo and Abilene to play Angelo State and Abilene Christian.

A loss to Abilene Christian 75-68 Saturday ended a two game winning streak. Mandy Hewett lead Southwestern with 16 points while Jill Kliever finished with 12 points.

Christie Sanchez, who is averaging 13.4 points a game, had her third double-double in the last seven games. She accounted for 13 points and 10 rebounds, but in a losing effort as the Lady Bulldogs let a seven point halftime lead get away.

A contributing factor might have been starting forward Roslynn Dunn. The senior, who is shooting 56 percent from the field, had to leave the game because of an injury with about seven minutes left to play.

"It was a good game," Dunn said. "We really played well, but they just came out and hit their shots. They got back in it by hitting their three-pointers."

Dunn said that being 6-4 at this point isn't what matters.

"It's not about winning every game. It's about improving every game. East Central will be the team to beat when conference starts, hopefully we'll be where we need to be, and maybe we can win conference," she said.

The men are in a different boat after 10 games. The Bulldogs are 2-8 and currently on a three game slide.

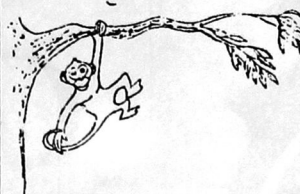
They beat Missouri Southern in their own tournament over Thanksgiving break, but then fell to Pittsburg State, Kan., Angelo State and Abilene Christian.

Their 88-72 loss to Pittsburg State might have been due to the free throws. Pittsburg State shot 34 free throws while the Bulldogs managed to go to the charity stripe only 10 times. But Pittsburg State made only 21 free throws compared to 8 points for the Bulldogs from the line.

Saturday, Abilene Christian topped Southwestern 72-60. Corey Johnson's 16 points wasn't enough to overcome 35 turnovers committed by Southwestern. Also, they never could make-up the 43-21 halftime deficit.

The Bulldogs will not see action until Dec. 30. Southwestern will get a shot to avenge Thursday's 81-76 loss to Angelo State. Tipoff will be 7p.m. in the Rankin Williams Fieldhouse.

The men and women will host Cameron Jan. 2. They will play Southeastern in Durant Jan. 9 during the semester break.



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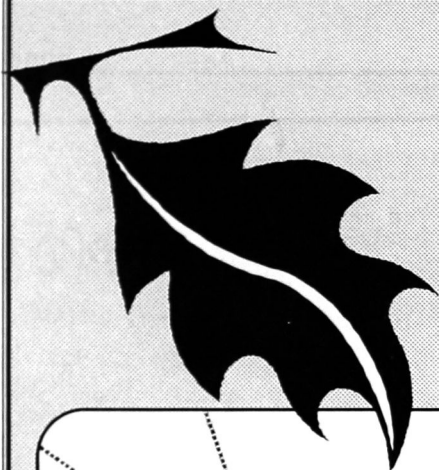


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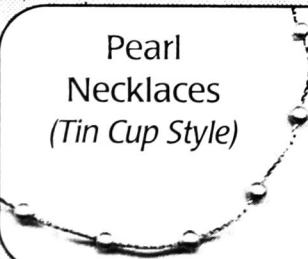
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